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THOMPSON HAS AN "OLD TIMER"

**Brings Hold Full of Cusk and
Nice Lot of Halibut in
Sch. Gov. Foss***

Two halibuting fares, one arriving yesterday afternoon and the other this morning supplied the halibut today, both crafts arriving in time to take advantage of the prices that are being paid.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream, Capt. Frank Stream arrived yesterday afternoon with an 18,000 pound fare which he sold at 13 cents a pound for gray to the New England Fish Company.

This morning, sch. Gov. Foss, Capt. Fred Thompson, disposed of his trip of 18,000 pounds to the American Halibut Company, receiving a half cent less for white than yesterday's figures. Capt. Thompson has a fare of 120,000 pounds of fresh cusk, besides some salt fish as well.

Sch. Mildred Robinson, Capt. Leslie Coffill, from a shacking trip on Grand Banks has 125,000 pounds salt cod. Like others of the fleet, he reports but little was done on the second halting, the fine run of codfish having struck off the bank again.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Mildred Robinson, Grand Banks 125,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Gov. Foss, Georges, 18,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 125,000 lbs. fresh fish, 8000 lbs. salt fish.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream, Georges, 18,000 lbs. fresh halibut.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Agnes, seining.

Sch. Pinta, seining.

Sch. Ralph L. Hall, seining.

Sch. Mystery, halibuting.

Sch. Quannapowitt, Boston.

WILL MAKE A "SMALL FORTUNE"

**Sch. Topsail Girl at T Wharf
With Biggest Swordfish
Trip Ever Landed—242.**

With the largest swordfish trip of the season and the biggest ever landed, the downeast sch. Topsail Girl arrived at T wharf, Boston, this morning after a two weeks cruise on Georges with 242 fish on board. Swordfish sold at six and one-fourth cents and six and three-fourth cents a pound this morning, which is considerably lower than the dealers have been paying, but even with the drop, the crew of the schooner will make a season's work as the result of this one trip.

In addition to four other good swordfish fares, some trips of groundfish are in, including four of the steam trawling fleet with good fares of haddock and cod.

Prices as a rule were low, haddock selling at \$1.25 to \$1.50 a hundred weight, large cod, \$4, market cod, \$2.50 hake \$1.50, pollock \$1 and cusk \$1.50. A few hundred pounds of halibut sold at 12 cents a pound right through.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:
Sch. W. M. Goodspeed, 36,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Buema, 23,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 3000 hake.

Str. Spray, 76,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Eleanor DeCosta, 23,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 2000 hake.

Str. Ripple, 90,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Str. Foam, 75,000 haddock, 7000 cod.

Sch. Rose Dorothea, 25,000 haddock, 22,000 cod, 1500 halibut.

Sch. Edith Silveria 14,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Wm. A. Morse, 45,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Jessie P., 500 cod, 4500 pollock.

Sch. Melicia Enos, 5500 pollock.

Sch. Rebecca, 1000 haddock, 1000 cod, 70,000 hake, 50,000 cusk.

Str. Surf, 60,000 haddock, 22,000 cod.

Sch. Topsail Girl, 242 swordfish.

Sch. James and Esther, 95 swordfish.

Sch. Mary Sennett, 87 swordfish.

Sch. W. H. Reed, 52 swordfish.

Sch. Manomet, 162 swordfish.

Haddock, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$4; market cod, \$2.50; hake, \$1.50; pollock, \$1; cusk, \$1.50; halibut, 12 cents for white and gray; swordfish, 6 1-4 cts. and 6 3-4 cts. per lb.

SKIPPERS TAKE STUMPS FOR MEN

Tree stumps from the Cape Cod canal zone floating out into the South Channel are causing T wharf fishing skippers a good deal of trouble. Bringing his sch. Matthew B. Greer, into port from the South Channel grounds Tuesday, Capt. Matthew Greer sighted what looked in the distance like a crazy man in a dory.

He could see a figure, evidently that of a man standing in a big dory, waving his arms wildly and tottering around. Thinking that he had run into an insane fisherman, Capt. Greer brought his big boat around and steered straight for the object. When he got closer to it he perceived that it was a giant tree stump, the branches of which had formed the "crazy man's arms."

Other skippers report having much the same sort of experiences. At times the floating stumps occupy large areas of the sea and resemble small islands. It is especially difficult for the smaller boats fitted with gasoline engines to make their way through the stumps.

FACTS ABOUT FISH.

**New England Fish Exchange Begins
Campaign to Educate General Public.**

As the first step in a systematic campaign on the part of the New England Fish Exchange, through which all T Wharf's business is transacted, to make this port surpass Grimsby, England, and become the greatest fisheries center in the world, a book has been issued by the exchange which it is hoped will do much to educate housewives and the public generally upon the subject of fish.

The book, attractively bound in a light blue cloth cover, upon which is two-color picture of the new South Boston fish pier as it will look when completed, is named "Recipes of Sea Food," and contains, besides several hundred recipes for all kinds of fancy, ground and shellfish, studies upon the food value of the various kinds of fish, a history of the fish business and much general information.

W. K. Beardsley, manager of the New England Fish Exchange, and B. A. Doherty, manager of the Wholesale Fish Dealers' Credit Association, are the editors of the book, which is expected to be but the first of several upon the same subject.

It is the opinion of T Wharf dealers that if they can educate the general public on the subject of fish, their business will increase, and with the facilities offered by the new South Boston dock they can see no reason why within the next year Boston should surpass Grimsby, and become the greatest fish market in the world, instead of being content with second place.

But it is not alone their wish to have the public eat more fish. They want the public to learn to know good fish, and to insist upon getting it. And to instruct the buyers upon what is good fish is the chief purpose of the new book.

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GOOD MACKEREL REPORTS CHEER

Small Boats With Fares at Newport To- day Report Good Schools Between No Man's Land and the Lightship.

The mackerel prospects, which have been rather gloomy for several weeks are looking better to the southward, a wire from Newport this morning stating that several of the small boats took some fish yesterday, which were landed at that place and also report fish schooling.

Large schools of fish are reported the past two days as schooling from the South Shoal Lightship to Noman's land, which will be a most pleasing

bit of news for the mackerel catchers about this time.

The fares reported are as follows:
Wood and Mack, 11 barrels fresh mackerel.

W. H. Clement, 8 barrels fresh mackerel.

Thomas Condon, 10 barrels fresh mackerel.

Sloop Lillian, 12 barrels fresh mackerel.

Carrie E., 11 barrels fresh mackerel.

Eddie A. Minot, 8 barrels fresh mackerel.

Mary E., 37 swordfish.

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By way of introduction, a new publication contains short sketches of the Boston Fish Market Corporation, the Exchange and the Credit Association, giving the reader a "behind the scenes" view of the way business is transacted at T Wharf, and of the vast facilities of the new dock, with its capacity for unloading 80 vessels at one time.

The first chapter is devoted to "Fish as Food," and gives valuable and interesting facts and figures upon the value and use of fish. The prejudice against certain kinds of fish in certain localities is discussed, and the conditions which affect the market value of fish fully explained. How the various kinds are prepared for market, and the nutritive value of the different varieties is gone into at length, while the question of the digestibility of fish is given considerable space.

After explaining the place of fish in the diet, several daily menus, in which fish plays a prominent part, are given. General instructions for cooking fish, for telling its freshness, and some household hints conclude the first part of the volume. The second half is devoted to recipes, and contains explicit directions for preparing everything in the fish line from cod fishballs to lobster Newburgs.

Plates showing the old and new types of fishing schooner, a typical lobsterman, and a section of a drying plant illustrate the book.

Some 50 firms will have stores and offices on the new pier when it is completed. The latest plans call for glazed tiling in the interior of all the stores. Arrangements have already been made to have vessels which now bring their fish to other ports, sail to the dock with their catches.

At first it was planned to have a cold storage plant of moderate size across the end of the new dock. The idea finally agreed upon, however, was to build a monster plant, the largest of its kind in the country, with a capacity for holding 18,000,000 pounds of fish, and for producing 280 tons of ice a day.

The construction of the new pier is going forward steadily and there is no doubt that by October 1 next it will be ready for use. The Fish Exchange will be located in the Administration Building, at the water end of the big pier. Practically the entire fish business of the whole country will be transacted in that building, as the fisheries of the Pacific, as well as those of the Atlantic coast, are largely owned and controlled by Boston interests.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.75 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3.
 Drift codfish, large, \$4.25 per cwt.; medium, \$3.75.
 Salt trawl bank cod, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75.
 Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75.
 Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.
 Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.
 Hake, \$1.50.
 Pollock, \$1.50.
 Haddock, \$1.50.
 Flitched halibut, 83-4 cents per lb.
 Shore salt mackerel, \$15 per bbl for medium; \$6.50 for blinks.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, 90c per cwt.
 Eastern cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.
 Western cod, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$2; snappers, 75c.
 All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
 Hake, 90c.
 Cusk, large, \$2.25; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 50c.
 Dressed pollock, 80c.; round, 70c.

Fresh herring, \$3 per bbl., for bait; \$1.50 to salt; \$1.60 to freezer.
 Fresh shad, \$2.30 per bbl.
 Fresh mackerel, 29c each for large, 18c for medium, 8c for tinkers.
 Fresh bluebacks, \$2.50 per bbl., for bait; \$1 to freezer; 75c to salt.
 Bank halibut, 13c and 13 1/4c for white and 10c for gray.

Spain's Fish Imports.

In addition to the large amount of fish caught on the Iberian coast, Spain finds it necessary to import considerable quantities from abroad. Cod and stock fish come chiefly from Norway, Great Britain, British possessions, in America and Denmark. Other fresh and salted fish were supplied almost entirely by Portugal in 1912. Cod and stock fish form an important part of the diet of the laboring classes. The value of fish imported during 1912 was \$7,844,671, while the exports, of which four-fifths were sardines, amounted to \$6,538,591.

Japan Salts Sardines.

The salted sardines prepared in Japan find a ready market in China and are said to be preferred by the Chinese to salted herring brought from America. These fish, with salmon and trout, abound in Japanese waters. The high price of salt makes the number caught and pickled smaller than would otherwise be the case.

Fish With No Mouths.

Fish with no mouths have been discovered by a London professor. They are reported to be a species of carp which eat and drink through tiny respiratory openings. The professor likens them to a Pullman car without an entrance at either end.

Change of Skippers.

Capt. Michael Smith has relinquished command of sch. Diana and Capt. C. Wesley Farmer will now take command and continue mackerel seining.

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Nova Scotia Bait News.

Musquodoboit Harbor, July 26.—Eleven barrels herring, Musquodoboit, forty-five barrels herring, OW's Head, two barrels herring, Eastern Passage.

Canso, July 26.—Few herring reported Queens, Goldboro and Larry's River, none at Canso.

Sherbrooke, July 26.—Ten barrels herring taken Wine Harbor, ten at Sonora, ten at Liscomb.

Lardoise, July 26.—Landed, herring at Rockdale, three cwts.; Lardoise, ten; Lower Lardoise, three.

Middle West Pubnico, July 26.—Eighty barrels tinker mackerel at Pubnico, thirty-five at Wedgeport, five at Yarmouth bar. No dead bait at Tusket Island.

Petit Degrat, July 26.—No herring today.

Little Bras D'Or, July 26.—A barrel and half herring to net this morning at North Sydney.

Digby, July 26.—No bait available.

Barrington, July 26.—Baccaro, twenty barrels bait; Clark's Harbor, twenty; Woods Harbor, fifteen.

Find Food Fish at Great Depths.

An interesting feature of the recent Australian trawling investigation is the discovery of commercial fishes down to depths of 300 fathoms, the chief kinds being large flathead and rockling. It is stated that the trawler obtained fully two tons of marketable fish, all in great depths and on grounds which were previously thought to be too deep for commercial trawling. These discoveries, it is stated, tend to increase the available fishing grounds of the Australian Bight, and enlarge previous estimates of the extent of a valuable food supply. In some parts of the deep area fish were got in paying quantities up to fully 2 cwt. per hour. Of course in European seas certain commercial fishes may be got in water down to 300 fathoms, but it is rare that the quantity and value would repay a trawler to work in such depths.

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Portland Fishing Notes.

The Gloucester schooner Teazer, Capt. Dunskey, which is bound for the western banks in search of halibut, came in here Tuesday after bait and ice.

Mackerel in Shelburne Traps.

A wire from Shelburne, N. S., this morning states that the traps in that vicinity took 300 barrels medium mackerel last night.